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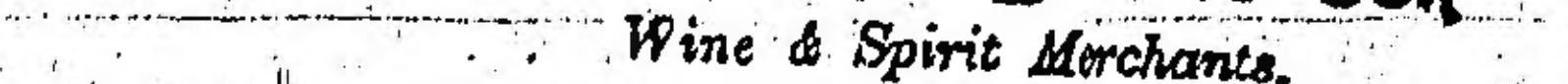
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OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, February 12. With the opening of Parliament Mr. Asquith is faced with a very real and serious situation. Not for a long time has a Prime Minister at the outset of a new administration been called upon to navigate such threatening waters.

In different quarters conflicting views are heard as to the policy the Premier will pursue, but on all sides the prediction that the Government will not last for more than a few months finds ready credence. Some fix the date in April, some in June, but hardly anyone seems to imagine that another general election can be deferred beyond next autumn or winter.

At the electoral headquarters of both parties arrangements are being made on the assumption that literally "anything may happen." Neither the Liberals nor the Labour members are anxious for another dissolution, the contest through which they have just passed having put a severe strain on their war chests. If they make another appeal to the country, therefore, it will be, because they want it, but because they are driven to it.

The Conservative leaders are undoubtedly facing the possibility of taking office and then appealing to the country. They, too, would rather postpone the contest for a few months but should the crisis give them an opportunity for assuming the responsibilities of government they would not shrink the hazard of the throw in the political game.

It is now clear that the Labour party will demand the immediate introduction of a bill for legalising compulsory levies on trades unions for the payment of members of Parliament. But the question is not the simple and easy one the Labour leaders imagine. If one body is empowered to collect, compulsorily money for the payment of members of Parliament, the privilege must be extended to others. The great railway companies might be empowered compulsorily to levy money from their shareholders for the purpose of paying members of Parliament to represent their interests.

The principle advocated by the Labour leaders, if once admitted, might be carried to such an extent that the House of Commons would have within its ranks the paid representatives of many great interests and organisations. The Government will have to meet the situation with firmness because, it is said that the Labour party, if their demands are not complied with, will decline to give a steady support to the Ministry. Which means another pitfall in Mr. Asquith's parliamentary path.

Some papers are greatly irritated by the thought of the power achieved by the Irish party. One of the best Conservative daily papers in the provinces is the *Western Morning News* of Plymouth, where young Waldorf Astor came near winning a seat for that side of politics. This is how the editor feels about the situation—

"Redmond makes a boast of the enormous power exercised by the Irish vote in Great Britain. He correctly regards this as the outstanding feature of the election, as far as the Ministerialists are concerned. It is important that the English electors should bear this in mind when the House of Lords is attacked and England's policy is determined by the Nationalist vote. In almost all the chief towns of England and Scotland a well-organised body of voters hostile to British interests and directed by the leaders of the rebel party in Ireland, has had a tremendous influence in deciding the composition of the House of Commons."

Moreover, the politicians who control the Nationalist vote in this island are receiving pay from Americans whose greatest wish is to bring about the downfall of the British Empire. The Americans who financed the Fenians are the same men who now finance the Nationalist party, and Mr. Redmond sends a message of congratulation to the Americans who supplied the war fund for the United Irish League. The British Constitution is to be destroyed by a Government which can only hold office by the help of this political force that owes its origin and maintenance to Fenian dollars."

Some queer movements have risen out of the election. It is seriously proposed by the Newcastle school-keepers to boycott Irish whisky if the Redmondites do not oppose the Budget. It is hinted that the Nationalists have constituted themselves the special guardians of the Irish "trade" in return for election funds lavished upon the party.

But why stop at Irish whisky? Scotland has a special whisky of its own. Yet it deliberately sent Mr. Asquith to Parliament to enforce the Revenue Bill. A boycott of whisky would certainly be a novel form of punishment for imposing a tax on liquor. These political oddities are driving some patriotic whisky drinkers to drink English beer.

Sir Clifton Robinson, the "Tramway King," was looking very fit and well when he left Claring Cross by the Continental train en route for the Philippines. In a few minutes' conversation he spoke, naturally, of street cars, and although he would not detail the enterprise which is taking him so far away, he remarked that there were vast possibilities in that part of the world for development. Certainly if there are any possibilities of the sort, Sir Clifton may be called upon to seize them.

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When he and his fellow explorers were in their little tent nibbling their one biscuit, if a man happened to drop a crumb six pairs of eyes would follow that crumb on its downward path to the floor, and if he had not noticed it—which was a very rare occurrence—his attention would be drawn to it, and he would wet the tip of his finger and pick it up. Not a morsel was allowed to escape.

They were hungry for three months and during that time they had only one full meal—on Christmas day. On their return to civilisation, the explorers made up their minds that they would never see a hungry person flattening his nose against a shop window without giving him something.

Scottish religious leaders are making big preparations for the World Missionary Conference, to be held in Edinburgh in June. The leading idea is to furnish a complete record of the policy, progress, and prospects, as well as the methods and administration of Christian missions throughout the world.

The survey is being made under eight principal divisions, each by a specially selected commission, on which are representatives of almost every Protestant Church in Europe and America engaged in evangelisation work. For months these commissions have been collecting evidence from missionaries and other experts, and they are now engaged in preparing the reports which will form the basis of discussion at the conference.

One of the most interesting reports promises to be that of the commission considering the question of union and co-operation in the mission field. Important results are expected to follow the debates on this subject.

The idea of a University for China, that has been talked about for two years or more, seems at last to have every prospect of realisation. The scheme, which has already been outlined in some detail, will be finally discussed at Oxford and Cambridge within the next few weeks, and all important points settled before the meeting of all committees at the Mansion House on March 18.

It is estimated that something like two hundred and fifty thousand pounds is required before the venture can be put on a satisfactory working basis. The financial side of the problem is, of course, the most serious one that has faced the promoters all along, and some excitement prevails in consequence of a rumour—confirmed by a high authority—that the Vanderbilt family intend to contribute a large portion of the sum demanded. This American interest in the scheme will almost certainly mean that a large number of American graduates, as well as those from British universities, will find positions on the staff.

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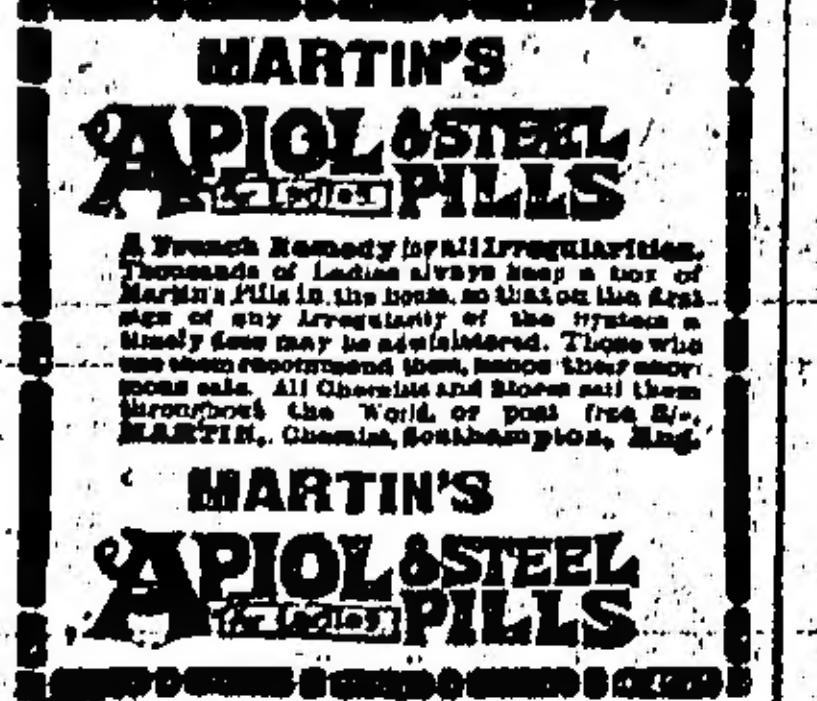
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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.
Miscellaneous
Volunteer Church Parade at the Union
Church.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.
Auction.
11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture at Messrs Hughes & Hogg's
Sales Rooms.
Meeting.
4 p.m.—Meeting of Licensing Board at
Colonial Secretary's Office.

General Memoranda.
Tuesday, March 8.
10 a.m.—Auction of Government Stores
at Army Ordnance Store, Queen's
Road East.

Wednesday, March 9.
Noon—Meeting of the Hongkong Fire
Insurance Co., Ltd. at Messrs Jardine,
Matheson & Co.'s Office.
Thursday, March 10.
Noon—Meeting of China Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd. at Co.'s Office.

Saturday, March 12.
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.
at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s
Office.

Tuesday, March 15.
Noon—Meeting of the China-Borneo
Co., Ltd. at Co.'s Office.

Friday, March 18.
2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at 'Tan Mer,' Peak Road.

Saturday, March 19.
11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Green Island
Cement Co., Ltd. at Co.'s Office.
1.30 p.m.—Meeting of National Bank
of China, Ltd. at Bank Office.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1910.

CHINA AND TIBET.

The Imperial Edict deposing the Dalai Lama, or temporal head of the Government of Tibet, from power and office is a decidedly interesting document. First the Dalai Lama's names and style is set forth in full and runs thus: A-wang lo-pa tang-tu-pu-tan-chia-cho-chi-chai-wang-chu-chi-le-long-chieh—a formidable mouthful in all verity. Then the Edict proceeds to accuse him of being proud, extravagant, licentious, violent and refractory from the time of his assuming charge of the treasury, and of taking upon himself to disobey the commands of his sovereign by hindering reforms and refusing supplies. Besides being unruly towards China he has behaved badly towards the Tibetans, maltreating them so that troubles have been provoked. This charge seems scarcely to accord with the news which we printed last evening that the inhabitants of Tibet are united in their demand for the reinstatement of the Dalai Lama and in their desire for his return to the Potola of Lhasa. A man who had been ill-treating his people in the way the Chinese allege, though he were semi-divine in all his other attributes, would not be entreated thus we imagine. The real fact of the matter is the Dalai Lama has been too assiduous in his attentions to Russia; he has intrigued with St. Petersburg too deeply—that is the head and front of his offending. China, grown cautious as well as alarmed, by the events of the past fifty years, which have cost her such valuable buffer states as Indo-China and Korea, feared that the great gateway into Szechuan would be created from her grasp by either

Russia or England did she not take some strenuous steps to assert her supremacy in Lhasa. That is the explanation of her desire to see the Dalai reincarnated into the body of a little child whom she could effectively control through her political, residential, the Senior and Junior Ambans. Looked at from a cynic's point of view the situation has some interesting features. Considering the gifts she has so lavishly bestowed upon the Dalai Lama and the tolerance she has displayed towards his perversity and willfulness—from China's point of view—the wretched man has displayed shocking bad taste in not shuffling off the mortal coil before this. No wonder the Grand Council find him "fickle, crafty, and deceitful," in other words, not the complaisant tool they always expect shall fill the position of "leader of the Hutuktu, or saints."

Great Britain is supposed to have been satisfied with the explanation given by China of the recent doings in Tibet; Russia declares that she cannot view the situation with indifference; but what we should like to know is the real opinion of the Tibetans on the matter. Does the Darjeeling mass meeting express their views, and if so what will happen supposing they decline to accede to China's demands and refuse to make search among their children for one born with the "miraculous signs" of future incarnation? Will China enforce her will at the hands of a military expedition stronger than the one now at Lhasa? It is certainly an awkward position for her. She has probably raised a hornet's nest which will tax all her ingenuity to reduce to a state of quiescence. To increase the difficulties of the situation, the Indian Buddhists are very warmly taking the Dalai Lama's part, and this will be a further inducement for England to see that he gets fair play. Yet China, after solemnly deposing him can scarcely allow a Pontiff whom she has stripped of all dignities and power to return to his native country, though she certainly seems preparing the way for winning the approval of outsiders who have questioned her recent actions in Tibet by cashiering her Junior Ambans for the part he has taken in the trouble. There is an ancient prophecy that the thirteenth holder of the office of Dalai Lama should see the extinction of the dignity, and superstitious people are now recalling this old saying to mind, and hinting that by the total abolition of the office China will find the most convenient exit out of the present dilemma. Certainly if the people of Tibet refuse to proceed with the preliminaries which precede the installation of a newly reincarnated Lama, this seems to be the best solution. The spiritual pontiff, the Tashi Lama, remains: it is the temporal head that would be lopped off. But it is more easy to imagine these things than to see them eventuate. Tibet is bound heart and soul to her two great Pontiffs and will not give up either. Before the Dalai Lama leaves Darjeeling China may have cause to rue her rather precipitate departure from her usual dilatory methods of transacting business with her outlying dependencies.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Rev. C. H. Hickling preaches at the Union Church on Sunday morning on the occasion of the Volunteer Church Parade.

Conditions of license under the Opium Ordinance, 1909, as approved by the Governor-in-Council, appear in the Gazette as well as various regulations in connection therewith.

We have received a letter signed "A Kowloon Lady," wherein she brings sweeping charges of lack of courtesy, consideration and attention against the shopkeepers of Hongkong. She contends that these are the reasons why ladies send home for so much of their clothes and feminine adornments instead of patronizing local establishments. Our correspondent does not descend from the general to the particular in her charges, so we hope her experience has been exceptional. In matters of this kind, like in the exchange of social amenities, the general experience is that one receives just as much courtesy, consideration and attention as one puts into the transaction oneself.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Brandy, whisky and rum are defined in the Gazette by regulations of the Governor-in-Council under Section 11 of the Liquor Licenses Amendment Ordinance.

It is interesting to note that after persistent requests in the Press of the Colony the Government is moving in the matter of the unfortunate street-walkers and that about twenty-one are to be banished.

From Messrs E. Ros and Co., 17a Queen's Road Central we have received samples of Sherry Nobblers, Victoria Alturno, Muscatel and Managou, the exquisite vintages of the well-known grower Edmundo Grant. These wines speak for themselves and should find a very ready sale in Hongkong and China.

An important British expedition, which is being organized privately, will leave England at the end of March for Western and North-Western Mongolia, a region concerning which practically nothing has been written in the English language. The expedition will consist of Mr. M. P. Price, Mr. J. H. Miller, and Mr. D. Carruthers.

The Rev. J. A. A. Baker is to preach a series of sermons at the Wesleyan Church on Sunday evenings at 6.00 p.m. during the month of March on "Christianity, a World Religion," the object being to state the case for missions to non-Christian countries in a modern light. To-morrow the subject is "The Missionary Mandate."

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to establish the godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., situated at Kowloon, as a bonded warehouse for the use of dealers in morphine and compounds of opium imported for exportation and not for sale or use in the Colony.

It is announced that at the great bulkiness of the Government Gazette for each year renders it awkward as a volume of reference, only such items as are of permanent interest are now included in the Gazette proper. All ephemeral notifications such as calls for tender, draft bills before Council, notices to mariners, legal notices and advertisements, etc., are included in a separate supplement.

The shocking circumstances under which Mme. Guin was recently murdered in a train by two soldiers has drawn the attention of French officials to the number of apaches and other criminals who are now serving in the army. Writing in the Echo de Paris, Marcel Rutin says that only a month ago Gen. Brun, the Minister of War, told him there were more than 11,000 men in the army who had undergone sentences.

St. Andrew's, Kowloon, to-morrow will be the scene of special services organized for the purpose of securing \$5,000 with which to buy an organ so as to finish the equipment of the Church. It is a large sum for such a small community, but with help from leading firms and others they hope to achieve their object. The Bishop of Victoria preaches at Morning Prayer and His Excellency the Governor will be present. It is hoped that sympathizers will be in their places early. In the evening the amount raised will be announced at the close of service.

The Hon. Treasurer of the A. H. Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Patient Hongkong Islamic Union ... \$ 50
E. A. Lyving ... 5
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Sennet Frères ... 5

It is usual to row the Oxford and Cambridge Boatrace on the Saturday before Palm Sunday, but this year it was found impracticable owing to the tides both in the morning and evening occurring at absolutely prohibitive hours. Wednesday, March 2nd, was then selected, the middle of Holy week. This led to protests from several clergymen, and the Bishop of London communicated with the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford. On the matter being explained the Bishop expressed his willingness to approve the arrangement. There will be no dinner or other festivities after the race, so that every respect will be shown to the holy season.

The Rhodes scholars in residence at Oxford last year numbered 179. Of these 90 were from the United States, 78 from British colonies and 11 from Germany. Of the 83 Americans who have completed the course, 82 have returned to America, only one taking up work in England. All the Germans have returned home save one, who took up a post in the United States.

Of the 78 colonial students entered last year, 19 are still studying preparatory to engaging in some profession; 51 have returned or are about to return to their homes; four are teaching in England; one is engaged in parochial work in England; two have gone to colonies other than their own; three have accepted appointments in India; two have taken business abroad; and three will follow professions in England.

AFFAIRS OF A RICE FIRM.

Interesting Disclosures.

The public examination of the Tai Fung Firm rice merchants, whose total indebtedness amounts to \$23,800, took place before the Acting Chief Justice (Hon. Mr. W. Ros Davies, K.C.) sitting in bankruptcy jurisdiction to-day.

Mr. E. J. Grist (from the office of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist), Mr. E. Davidson (from the office of Messrs Hastings and Hastings) and Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon (from the office of Mr. R. A. Harding) appeared for various creditors.

Tam Chuk Hing was the first witness called. He said he was a partner in the debtor firm, acting as buyer. He did not look after the accounts; the man who did that had absconded to the country. Witness's share in the firm was \$500, and there were more than ten other partners. Witness produced a list of partners most of whom, he said, had absconded.

Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Deputy Official Receiver)—What was the reason you have assigned for bankruptcy of the firm?—On account of Yee Yu Nam absconding.

What has that to do with it; did he take any money with him?—Yes; he took away about \$15,000 with him.

What action did you take when he absconded?—I was in the country at that time.

What happened when you came back?—When I came back I saw the firm was greatly indebted, so I came here to settle up matters.

Was a meeting of creditors called and a composition agreed to?—Yes, 58 per cent. And the creditors seized the stock of rice and sold it?—Yes.

How much did they get for it?—\$6,000.

What has happened to that money?—Paid to the creditors.

Witness further stated that a sum of \$300 was paid to a Chinese bank, for, "seeing that the creditors had got over \$6,000 and the bank got nothing, I gave them \$300."

Where did you get that \$300 from?—From debts collected.

Mr. Grist said he appeared for Ming Yee Tai, creditors to the extent of \$2,305.55. He asked witness what the capital of the firm was.

Witness—I didn't enquire into things like that.

But you didn't become a partner in the firm without knowing what capital there was in the firm, did you?—The manager is the man in charge of these things and it rests with him.

And you put \$500 in without enquiring what was the capital of the firm? Well, I just became buyer and "planked" \$500 down.

His Lordship—You made no enquiries at all as to the monetary position of the firm?—I am not in charge of the accounts, my Lord.

After further questioning, witness said the capital was \$21,000. Answering Mr. Grist, witness said he could only account for about \$5,000 of this sum.

Witness having made contradictory statements, His Lordship, addressing the Court Interpreter said:—Tell him he is here to tell the truth and if he goes on making one statement and then another I will deal with him in another way.

Answering Mr. Grist, witness said the total indebtedness of the firm was \$23,800 and the total assets were between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

As a matter of fact the total assets are over \$23,000, are they not?—Yes, \$29,000. Those are debts due to the firm?—Yes.

The money you can get in in Hongkong amounts to \$15,000?—Yes.

So that the money in Hongkong alone would pay more than 58 per cent of your total liability, and the \$15,000 which is due to your firm from the country, if the composition was accepted, was to go to the partners?—That is not so; I do not intend to make myself wealthy like that.

Mr. Grist said it was apparent that the \$15,000 would go into the pockets of the partners. That was the scheme they came forward and asked his clients to accept.

After further questioning the examination was adjourned.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. W. Andry, late Bishop of South Tokyo, left estate worth £4,612.

The Venerable Archdeacon E. J. Barnett has been appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Colony by His Excellency the Governor.

Dr. John Ball has been appointed to act as Principal Civil Medical Officer of Hongkong during the absence on leave of the Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson.

Dr. Noble is visiting Baguio, the mountain resort in the Philippines near where many mining camps are situated in which Hongkong capital is interested.

It is expected that Earl Carrington will succeed Earl Gray as Governor-General of Canada. He has held several appointments in the Royal Household, been Governor of New South Wales, and later became President of the Board of Agriculture under Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

The Rev. John Macgowan left Hongkong on Friday for the Carmarthenhire for home. He returns after fifty years of service in China and leaves behind him a record of which any missionary might be honourably proud. By his writings, teachings and above all his beautiful life he has set up a beacon in China which will remain for the guidance of those who follow after, when time with him shall be no more.

Mr. A. A. Charles, professor of Physics and Chemistry in the Prefectural High School of Nanking, has died of malignant confluent smallpox. Deceased came to China in August, 1908, under the Y.M.C.A., to take the science work in the High School, where he has won many friends by his devotion to duty and quiet pleasant ways. Mr. Charles was married in Shanghai on February 7, 1909, to Miss Corbell B. Snow, of Washington, D.C.

THE BALKANS.

RUSSO-BULGARIAN RELATIONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, March 4.

The King and Queen of Bulgaria have left St. Petersburg after a week's visit to the Tsar.

A semi-official communique, published in St. Petersburg, emphasises Russia's sympathy with the development of Bulgaria and the necessity for the consolidation of Russo-Bulgarian interests in order to maintain the peace of the Balkans.

ANOTHER ROYAL VISIT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, March 4.

The King of Servia visits St. Petersburg on the 22nd inst.

INDIA AND TIBET.

RELATIONS UNAFFECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, March 4.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replying to a question addressed to him in the House of Commons, said there was no reason to suppose that the relations between India and Tibet were affected by the change in Tibetan administration. The general policy of the Government at would be to strictly observe Treaty obligations and to require similar observance by all parties concerned.

PRINCE REGENT DISSAPPROVES OF SUGGESTION.

(Wah Tu Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, March 4.

Liang Tui Yin has suggested that Tang Shao-yi be deputed to Tibet to restore order and the Grand Councilors are all in favour of the suggestion. The Prince Regent, however, disapproves of the suggestion.

TO STUDY MILITARY MATTERS.

(Wah Tu Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, March 4.

Prince Tao had intended to go abroad for the purpose of studying military matters. His Imperial Highness will leave on March 15.

A sum of \$250,000 has been voted towards his expenses.

A FALSE RUMOUR.

(Wah Tu Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, March 4.

Viceroy Li Ching-Hsi, who was reported to have died a few days ago, is now said to be only seriously ill.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

His Excellency entertains the Manila Polo Team at dinner to-night at Government House, followed by a small dance. The guests at dinner include—Mr. Bowditch, Mr. and Mrs. Swift, Captain Mitchell, Mr. West and Mr. Armstrong, of the Manila Team; Mr. J. Johnston, Captain and Mrs. Ball, Mr. Crookenden, Mr. Green and Captain Loring, of the Hongkong Team; General Broadwood, Captain Heathcote, Colonel Bayard, Major Findlay, Mr. and Mrs. Rublee, Mr. and Mrs. Gresson, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. Liebert, Mr. Stanley Allen, Miss Goodman, Commander Salisbury and Captain Wood.

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BUFFS RACE MEETING.

A Successful Event.

The race meeting held at Happy Valley today under the auspices of the Buffs Regiment was quite a little reflection of a day during Race Week. The stewards of the Jockey Club kindly placed the racecourse at the disposal of the Buffs, and many of the officials had been associated with the bigger meeting referred to, practically all the jockeys who had ridden mounts during the Buffs' week, while there were several of the jockeys who had ridden mounts during that popular meeting. As was only to be expected, the Buffs' Officers, the arrangements were altogether admirable and the meeting despite the dull, overcast weather, could truly be described as most successful. Officers and men alike shared the numerous duties, which such an event involves, while the Buffs' band, under Bandmaster Hewitt, added to the enjoyment of the occasion by their splendid musical programme. There were six events on the card and with full entries, some capital sport was provided, most of the finishes being exciting. The large attendance of patrons was an indication of the public's appreciation of the enterprise of the Buffs. Of course, the past-mutual and cash sweepstake were largely patronised, many who were "out" during Race Week being keen on making up their previous losses. The officers, all of whom were most desirous in the discharge of their duties were—

Stewards:—Lieut. Col. R. Bayard, D.S.O., Major W. A. Estlin, Major E. Findlay, Mr. H. W. Green, Mr. H. B. Foster and The Hon. P. G. Scarlett. Judges:—Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B., Commodore Lyon, A.D.C., R.N. Starter:—The Hon. Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., and Mr. T. F. Hough, Clerk of the Scales.—Mr. H. P. White, Clerk of the Course.—Major W. A. Estlin. Hon. Secretary:—Mr. H. W. Green. The Subalterns' Cup.—A sweepstake of \$5 for starters. For China polo ponies the property of subalterns. The Buffs' jockeys, penalties and conditions as for Regular Cup. To be ridden by subalterns. The Buffs' jockeys. The Hon. P. G. Scarlett's Balaclava Cup, 11st 15lb (Owner) 1. Mr. R. D. Collinson-Moyle's Kirkmahoe, 11st 8lb (Mr. Sill) 2. Mr. C. E. G. Davidson's Seraph, 11st 2lb (Mr. Sill) 3. Time 46½ sec. Cash sweeps, 1st \$217.36; 2nd \$92.10; 3rd \$35.5. Won by about a length.

The United Service Cup.—A cup presented by the officers of the Buffs, added to a sweepstake of \$5 for starters. For China ponies the bona fide property of officers of the Buffs. The Buffs' jockeys, penalties and conditions as for Regular Cup. To be ridden by officers of the Buffs. The Buffs' jockeys. The Hon. P. G. Scarlett's Balaclava Cup, 11st 15lb (Owner) 1. Mr. R. D. Collinson-Moyle's Kirkmahoe, 11st 8lb (Mr. Sill) 2. Mr. C. E. G. Davidson's Seraph, 11st 2lb (Mr. Sill) 3. Time 46½ sec. Cash sweeps, 1st \$217.36; 2nd \$92.10; 3rd \$35.5. Won by about a length.

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WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory. On the 5th at 12.05 p.m.—The depression is still shown over the Pacific to the N.E. of Japan. The barometer has risen considerably at the Bonins, and a slight rise has taken place over S.W. Japan and the Loochoos. Pressure is inclined to give way over China, particularly in the North. It is highest over S. China. Moderate monsoon can be expected in the Formosa Channel and fresh monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.06 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. wind, moderate; some rain. 2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1. 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: Same as No. 1. 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

An advertisement in another column advertises a concert at the Theatre Royal by the "Harbord" Wharf Company on Friday, March 11th. This will positively be their only appearance in the Colony during the present tour.

Returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong during the month of February, as certified by the managers of the respective Banks are—Chartered Bank—notes, \$4,010,863; specie, \$4,000,000. Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—notes, \$14,170,593; specie, \$3,000,000. National Bank of China—notes, \$48,582; specie, nil.

THE FRUIT SEASON.

THIS season always brings on more or less diarrhoea which is promptly checked by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Get a bottle and be prepared for sudden attacks. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE ARREST OF AN AUSTRIAN SUBJECT.

Before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, at the Magistrate's Court on Friday afternoon, extradition proceedings were commenced with regard to an Austrian subject, who was arrested on the s.s. Delta, for alleged perjury within the jurisdiction of the Austro-Hungarian Consular Court at Shanghai.

Mr. M. Reader Harris asked his Worship to discharge the defendant on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence to justify his being kept in custody. The defendant was an Austrian subject, and there was no information before his Worship of the crime alleged to have been committed by him, and as the crime was outside British territory, his Worship had no jurisdiction. The only jurisdiction given to the Court was in the Extradition Ordinances and the Treaty with Austria. Mr. Harris submitted, in the first place, that there was no sort of evidence of any crime having been committed by the defendant in Austrian territory, and such evidence was necessary before a warrant could be issued. The only information his Worship had was of a crime committed outside Austrian territory and within the jurisdiction of China. If his Worship held that there was jurisdiction, he submitted that the only power the Court had was under the Extradition Ordinance of 1870. Extradition crimes were set out in the schedule, and perjury was not an extradition crime.

His Worship—Are you appearing, Mr. Bowley.

Mr. Bowley said he had not been instructed, but he suggested that the case should be remanded until next morning. He understood the defendant was a passenger by the English mail, and that steamer did not leave until one o'clock. There was nothing, so far as he had seen from the papers, to show that the offence had been committed in Austria, and if the perjury was committed in the Consular Court at Shanghai, that Consular Court was outside Austrian territory.

Mr. Harris—Shanghai is only a treaty port. There is not even an Austrian consular office there.

His Worship—You mean that for an offence committed in Shanghai by an Austrian subject, the Consul has no jurisdiction. Mr. Harris—He has jurisdiction there. The man is now going home to Vienna, so he cannot be a fugitive criminal. The very first thing he does when he lands here is to go to the Austrian Consulate.

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RAMBLING NOTES.

India faced by heavy losses through the suppression of the opium traffic puts a tax on all silver entering Hindostan and at once the price of the dollar drops in China and the hard-working residents of Hongkong get an additional pinch in a spot already tenderly sensitive. It is of course a matter of small concern to Government servants who have "exchange compensation," and such lucky individuals who get their pay in gold, but for the average man and woman here the matter is very serious. With every drop in the dollar the price of all necessities of life increases, never to go back to normal again, and as the struggle for existence is intensified.

I suppose so long as China sticks to silver we shall be compelled to follow suit, and therefore it is no good grumbling. But all the same it is very hard, very disheartening, and takes the zest out of the struggle for a good many. As matters are going at present I really can't see what is before most people but a great, big crash. I mean the people who are drawing salaries on a purely silver basis. Is not a cheerful prospect, is it; neither is the weather these days.

Only a hundred miles to the south of us the sun is shining in all his strength, people are wearing summer raincoats, and all the winds are balmy. But here in Hongkong our lot is cast amid the sad surroundings which the poor Longfellow warbled about: "The day is cold, and dark and dreary."

If it wasn't for Rubber I really don't know what the Colony would be turning to for consolation. Oh the tales I have heard this week of incipient millionaires which the rubber boom has brought into existence here in our very midst. Good old rubber! I hope the boom will be strong enough to sustain the combined weight of all the Hongkong speculators for some time to come. Otherwise with ever falling exchange, the lack of interest in the Volunteer movement, the dismal weather, the Ragusa dispute, and sundry other ills—life won't be worth living for some of us if we don't soon see a change.

COMMERCIAL.

SHAM RUMOUR.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report, dated 4th March stated:—Our local market has ruled comparatively active, and a fair business has been transacted. Rubbers have gradually quieted down and rates from London came lower at times of closing. Exchange on London closes at 1/8½, and on Shanghai at 74½, both T.T.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai continue quiet with sellers and some small sales at 98½. Nationals remain unchanged and without business.

Marine Insurance.—Unions have found buyers at 100, and a small sale at the same rate. Cantons have improved considerably and with an unsatisfied demand have advanced to 180, closing with buyers. North China, after sales at 115, closes in demand. Other stocks under this heading call for no remarks.

Five Insurance.—Hongkong Fire has been transacted at 362½. The General Managers recommended a dividend for the year of \$27 per share. Chinas are slightly weaker with small sales at 117.

Shipping.—Indies have improved in the morning to 175, and with buyers. Shells, after touching 79½ and again falling to 77½, close at the former rate. Other stocks under this heading show no changes and continue neglected.

Refineries.—China Sugars have been in some demand and sales have taken place in fair lots at 160, and 170, the market closing somewhat easier at 160, sellers having been a quiet market with some small sales at 30.

M.T.—Langkate, after touching 1,000 in the North, close quiet at 1,005. Other stocks under this heading remain quiet and neglected.

Locks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Wharves Docks improved in the early part of the week to 1/8, but failed to maintain their position and close quiet at 69 with sellers. Kowloon Wharves have been the medium of a fair business at 55, 56, and 57, closing steady at the last rate. Hongkong Wharves have improved to 130, and Shanghai Docks remain steady at 80.

London, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been taken on the market in fair lots at 98½ and 99, closing with buyers at the latter rate. Kowloon Lands are quiet at 55, 56, and 57, closing steady at the last rate. Hotels and buildings have been affected at as high as 110 and 80 for the old and new, respectively.

Cotton Mills.—We have no business to report under this heading. The latest quotations from the North by circular are as follows:—Interiors 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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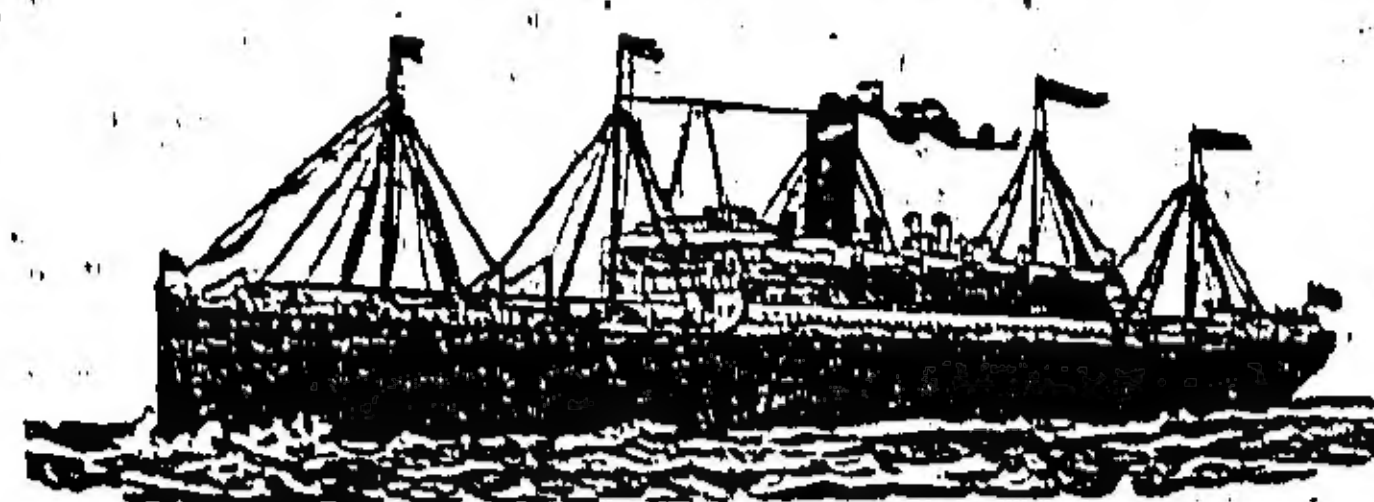
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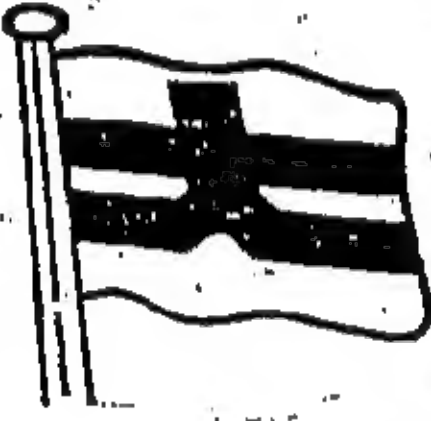
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The capital is said to amount to Tls. 700,000 or Tls. 800,000, and the cost of installation is stated to have been Tls. 400,000 or Tls. 500,000. The factory, which is administered by a Chinese director, is capable of producing about 874 yards of cloth daily, or 262,320 yards a year. The wool is obtained from Tientsin. There are seven Europeans employed: three of these are about to leave, and it is expected that before long the Chinese will be able to dispense with foreign assistance. About 250 Chinese are employed, of whom more than one-half are women. The men receive from 40 cents to 50 cents per day, and the women 20 cents. The prices of the cloth turned out vary from 90 candareens or Tls. 1 to Tls. 8 per yard.

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